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IRIS

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A PERSONAL STATEMENT

Iris breeding as a delightful hobby and recreation, pursued for many years, has resulted in a number of choice things that have found favor in many American gardens and have been well received abroad. Whatever success these have achieved may be attributed to such knowledge of genetics as could be brought to bear, plus the artist's appreciation of fine form and color as a guide to selection.

In offering these selections to the public the thought has been to find some suitable means of distribution, rather than to establish a commercial plant business. For this reason no annual catalog has been prepared, but a simple Descriptive List has been issued from time to time as the arrival of new varieties that seemed worthy of introduction made revision desirable.

For 1937 three new varieties, Khiva, Sails Aloft, and Shantung, are being offered for the first time. On another page these are described in some detail. The older and better known varieties are now listed on the two following pages with somewhat less detailed descriptions.

Prices—Cash with Order.

Varieties not otherwise priced may be ordered at 25c each, three for 50c.

Discounts

No trade or wholesale discount will be allowed except that in all cases three rhizomes of the same variety may be ordered for the regular price of two.

DESCRIPTIVE LIST OF OLDER VARIETIES

COPPERSMITH—H.M.,A.I.S.—Tall blended bicolor; falls rich red-velvet in sun. 3½ feet.

DUNE SPRITE—H.M.,A.I.S.—Seafoam yellow self of fine form and heavy substance; fragrant. 3 feet. Price \$1.00 each.

ELAINE—Warm light Pallida blend; a silken-sheened happy combination of violet and yellow; handsome distinctive foliage. 3½ feet.

JULIA MARLOWE—A stately flower with glowing Chinese violet standards. Color quality unexcelled. 3½ feet.

L'AIGLON—H.M.,A.I.S.—Large blended bicolor with nearly pure red falls; less yellow than in Coppersmith or Sequoiah. Over 3 feet.

MAORI PRINCESS—No variegata is richer in color. Empire yellow and burnt lake. Aristocratic form. 2½ feet.

MOON MAGIC—H.M.,A.I.S.—Wide flaring naphthalene yellow self of fine substance and carriage; quite fragrant. One of the best. 3½ feet. Price \$1.00 each.

MORNING SPLENDOR—H.M.,A.I.S.—G. C. A. Medal.—Rich claret color; very vivid seen toward morning or evening sun; among the best 3 to 4 feet.

NIMBUS—A somewhat somber but impressive bicolor of unusually fine texture; fragrant. 3½ feet.

NOCTURNE—Darker, more velvety, and more highly finished than Mme. Gaudichau. 3 feet.

OLD MADRID—A very richly red-toned Iris with circular, velvety falls. 3 feet.

PHOSPHOR—H.M.,A.I.S.—Medium yellow self of very heavy substance. Fragrant. 3 feet. Price \$1.00 each.

SEQUOIAH—H.M.,A.I.S.—Rich blended bicolor of aristocratic habit. Standards like shot silk and falls dark velvet. Among the best. 3½ feet.

SIR GALAHAD—Resembles Magnifica in color and size; better substance. Over 3 feet.

SOLANA—Tall variegata, lemon chrome and Bordeaux; very free flowering. 3 feet.

SYLVIA LENT—A lovely yellow-white bicolor of fine form and substance. Brilliant yellow beard. Very fragrant. 3 feet. Price \$2.00 each.

TROPIC SEAS—H.M.,A.I.S.—Deep blue-purple; rich golden beard; very robust. Fragrant. 4 feet.

VIRGINIA MOORE—H.M.,A.I.S.—A luminous lemon chrome self. Fine for mass. 2½ feet.

WATERFALL—A pearl-toned self of exceptional beauty of form and placement. Very heavy substance. 3½ feet. Price \$2.00 each.

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KHIVA—Light Perilla Purple to Dahlia Carmine and darker. A blended bicolor, but nearly a self in garden effect. This new variety is reminiscent of the mingled reds and rich red-browns of Khiva rugs. Large flowered and fragrant. Height 40 inches.

SAILS ALOFT—Standards Pearl Blue; falls Pearl Gray. General effect is a very even toned cool bluish gray. Outstandingly heavy substance and exceptionally fine form. Height about 3 feet.

SHANTUNG—A wide flaring self, outstanding for its fine smooth finish throughout the flower and for its heavy substance; a carriage and stance that is aristocratic. The color is hard to describe but is suggestive of ecru silk, a little more yellow at center. Height about 3 feet.

Introductory price on the above, strong rhizomes only, \$10.00 each. All three in one order, \$25.00.

Rainbow Fragments, a Garden Book of the Iris, by J. Marion Shull—Doubleday-Doran, Publishers; 317 pages, cloth. Price \$2.00 plus postage on 3 lbs. The most comprehensive work yet issued on the tall bearded iris. 18 varieties shown in color. Over 350 varieties described in detail and arranged for direct comparison. May be ordered direct from the author, autographed if requested.

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